

CRITICISM OF UNIVERSITIES IS UNREASONABLE

Sir Arthur Denounces
Critics of Education-
al Methods

FOUNDER'S DAY IS OBSERVED

Honorary Degrees Conferred
Upon Prof. J. A. Thomson,
Sir Vincent Meredith and
Sir Herbert Holt—Fifty
Degrees and Diplomas
Granted.

Moyse Hall presented a very colorful appearance yesterday at the first convocation held there. The honorary degree of Doctor of Laws was conferred upon two distinguished Canadian financiers, and an eminent scientist, in the persons of Sir Vincent Meredith, Bart., Sir Herbert Holt, and Professor J. A. Thomson.

Each was presented by the Principal, Sir Arthur Currie. The Chancellor, E. W. Beatty, K.C., placed the hood of doctorate, after which they signed the register.

In his address, the Principal pointed out the contributions of each to development in his various field.

Concerning criticism which has been levelled at universities in particular, Sir Arthur declared that it has been "not only ungrateful, but unenlightened and uninformed, and like all criticism has been of little constructive value."

He stated that the test of any educational system or university is its product. "The critics are frequently unreasonable in their demands. They demand perfection of product without considering the material that comes to the college mill."

In short the Principal outlined what a university strives to do, and particularly how McGill has fulfilled and is fulfilling its destiny as portrayed in the views of its founder.

There follows the details of the presentation of degrees and the Principal's address.

I have the honour to present to you that you may confer on him the degree of Doctor of Laws, honoris causa—

Sir Vincent Meredith

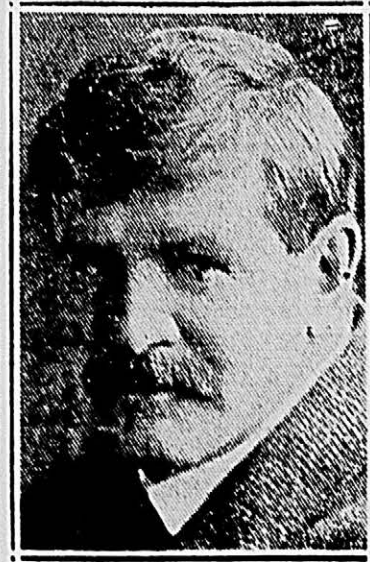
Sir H. Vincent Meredith, Baronet, guide and director of great financial institutions; sixty years in the service of the Bank of Montreal in his industry, his integrity and his great achievement in advancing from the humblest to the highest post in his profession, an inspiration to our Canadian youth; a vigorous man of affairs dealing daily with men in busy markets, yet holding fast his interest in hospitals and giving freely of his substance and his wisdom to the improvement of the leading arts of Canada, whose long life has been enriched by devotion to her welfare and her progress.

Sir Herbert Holt

I have the honour to present to you that you may confer on him the degree of Doctor of Laws, honoris causa—

Sir Herbert Holt, a leader endowed with strength for great responsibilities; clear sighted goal of many national important undertakings, who has devoted the organizing talents to Canadian industry; a believer in word and (Continued on page four)

HONORED BY TORONTO



Dr. Stephen Leacock, head of the department of Economics at McGill, who received the degree of D. Litt. at the University of Toronto Fall Convocation.

GOOD WEATHER FOR TORONTO CENTENARY

President and Warden Welcome Delegates

PREMIERS ATTEND

Delegates from all Over the World to be Received Tomorrow

Toronto, Oct. 5—(Special to McGill Daily)—Wonderful weather greeted the undergraduate today, the first day of the centenary celebration of the University of Toronto, which began with the registration of Student Delegates this morning. A jolly luncheon followed in Hart House when President Sir Robert Falconer and Warden John Burgen Bickersteth welcomed the delegates, who were shown Hart House and then taken on tour of the city. In evening there was a banquet in University College Common Room. Speeches were delivered which extolled the record of the University and were responded to by the student heads of faculties.

E. M. Casey brought the greetings of McGill University. Other delegates were A. B. Hill-Hamilton and H. M. Frost of the University of Cambridge; Napoleon Mayrand, University of Montreal; Harold Greenaway, University of Manitoba; Evan S. Clark and Donald Wallace, Bishop's College; I. L. Green, President of the National Federation of University Students. Mr. Green declared Federal to be the big thing in Canadian National student life.

The Hart House men's retreat was turned into a paradise of dainty devices for the Undergraduate's Centenary Ball tonight. There were twenty one hundred and seventy people in attendance.

Hundreds of faculty and diplomatic delegates from England, France, Norway, Australia, Sweden, Brazil and the Transvaal and other places and countries will be welcomed tomorrow. The Carillon Bells will be dedicated tomorrow and a concert will be given by Percival Price. The Dominion Carillonneur, and Bells will ring out one hundred times in honour of this great occasion.

Professor William Stewart Wallace has published a history of the University from its time of founding until (Continued on page four)

TORONTO WILL CONFER DEGREE ON DR. LEACOCK

Honor Given on Occasion of Centennial Celebration

TORONTO GRADUATE

Has Received Honorary Degrees from Brown, Dartmouth and Queen's

Dr. Stephen B. Leacock, world-famous economist and writer, will receive tomorrow the degree of Doctor of Letters at the Centennial Celebration of the University of Toronto. The university confers this degree upon its distinguished alumnus in recognition of his renown as an economist and humorist.

Dr. Leacock was born at Swanton, N.H., England, on December 30th, 1869. He received his preparatory education at Upper Canada College and graduated from Toronto in 1891 with the Degree of Bachelor of Arts.

He received the degree of Doctor of Philosophy from the University of Chicago. The universities of Brown, Dartmouth and Queen's have conferred honorary degrees on Dr. Leacock.

He was on the staff of Upper Canada College from 1891 to 1899, and in the Graduate School of the University of Chicago from 1899 to 1903. During 1917-18, under the auspices of the Cecil Rhodes Trust, he made a tour of the Empire giving lectures on Imperial Organization. He is the author of many well-known books, some of which are: "Behind and Beyond", "Nonsense Novels", "Sunshine Sketches of a Little Town", and "The Unsolved Riddle of Social Justice".

He is besides, the writer of a great number of articles and sketches.

Professor Goforth of the Department of Political Economy will also be in Toronto Saturday to represent McGill.

CHORAL SOCIETY MEETS TOMORROW

All Interested Invited to Opening Meeting

The opening meeting of the McGill Operatic and Choral Society takes place at 8 o'clock, Friday evening, in Strathcona Hall. All interested in part singing and choral and operatic work will be welcome at the get-together. The business of the meeting includes the election of a Librarian. Besides this the evening's program consists of refreshments and dancing for which an orchestra will be in attendance.

This year the Society will produce *Poland*, a Gilbert and Sullivan comic opera. Mr. Clapperton has spent some time while in England during the past summer in studying the Gilbert and Sullivan traditions in preparation for the production this winter. He will play some of the attractive numbers from the opera at the meeting to give those who intend to participate in the production an idea of the music.

ARTS JUNIOR? HOLD ELECTION?

No Definite Decision With Regard to Gowns

Henri Lafleur was elected President of Arts '29 at their meeting held yesterday in the Arts Building, and will direct the destinies of the class during their Junior Year. Kenneth Brown was the choice of those present as Vice-President, and Loyell Carroll will fill the position of Secretary-Treasurer.

Other appointments were made as follows:—

Representative on the Junior Prom Committee—Ross Paterson.

Representative on the Annua Board—George Brown, Jr.

The question of the Annual Debating Competition and that of the wearing of gowns was brought up, but it was decided to postpone the consideration of these questions until a meeting of the executive could be held.

JUNIOR RUGBY

All Junior rugby players are requested to be on hand at the campus at four o'clock today for a practice game with the Westmount High School squad.

Freshmen Rules Make Obedience Chief Requisite

The following rules for Arts and Commerce freshmen have been drawn up and implied obedience to them by the above is required.

- 1.—All first year men must wear freshmen caps and carry song books while on University grounds.
- 2.—Songs and yells are to be learned and given when requested.
- 3.—Freshmen must not walk on the University sidewalks.
- 4.—Matches must be carried for the use of upper class men.
- 5.—Respect is to be shown to superiors.
- 6.—All freshmen must carry a dollar today—Thursday.

Freshmen should also watch the "Daily" for further notices.

At the request of the University all extremes in hazing have been done away with.

At a later date Freshmen will have a chance to question any superiority which might seem to exist.

DAILY REPORTERS GET ASSIGNMENTS

To Report for Duty Afternoon and Night

The Daily announces that the following men have been placed as reporters on the nights mentioned below. If any men are not satisfied with the night assigned to them, they may let the News Editor know either by seeing him in the office, or leaving a note on the bulletin board in the Daily office before the end of the week. The following is a list of nights, of night editors on those nights, and of the staff assigned.

Sunday—H. T. Johnston, R. A. Montgomery, H. J. Vallance, S. S. Feiner, M. Aronovitch, K. E. Norris, H. B. Goodman.

Monday—E. S. Fay, Night Editor, A. H. Cooper, S. R. Berger, A. Schwartz, D. C. Charter, J. F. Embree, M. H. Friedman, S. Goldner, D. I. McGreavy.

Tuesday—Ross Paterson, D. Lewis, R. Harvey-Jello, Herb. Warren, G. Hunter, M. Perelmutter, Douglas P. Smith, L. J. Quinn, W. K. Dunn.

Wednesday—Colin McLeod, C. R. Brown, J. G. Howlett, M. N. Padher, O. S. Markham, L. M. Draper, J. G. McNaughton, A. Marcus, K. N. Cameron.

Thursday—Ken Brown, G.V.V. Nichols, C. Fraser, L. Dawson, R. E. L. Johnston, H. Halpener, F. M. Bourne, F. Lloyd, L. Douglas Smith, H. Desbarats.

Friday—George Brown, E. C. Reid, A. Breakey, H. Shapiro, Hugh Thompson, M. Margolick, S. Miller, P. S. Wise, Ted. Levine.

Besides these men, Harold Edrich is doing special reporting for the Players Club, Loyell Carroll for the East Wing beat, and David Tough is to see the Sports Editor, with a view to getting on the sports staff. If some medical student could spare the time he is asked to inquire about his duties etc., from J.P. Manton, in the Daily office before the end of the week.

All the men who have been put on the staff are asked to report for duty on the night assigned and at two o'clock of that day, to check off the assignments which have been given to them; if they cannot attend on some night they must put this down in the assignment book.

EMPLOYMENT BUREAU IS BUSY

Applications are for Many Kinds of Occupations

The demand for jobs is increasing daily at the Employment Bureau where students of all ages and faculties flock to register.

Occupations sought after are varied, including a considerable number of would-be waiters, waitresses, chauffeurs and waiters. Many students fancy accountancy simply with the idea of having the experience. Some of the less energetic ones have applied for such positions as tutors, reader and companions for elderly people.

COUNCIL REQUESTS LISTS OF MEETINGS

By request of the Students' Council all clubs and societies are asked to hand in to that body as soon as possible a complete list, with dates of all functions, special meetings or other important entertainments, which they may desire to hold during the 1927-28 session.

SOLAR SYSTEM EVOLVES FROM NEBULOUS MASS

Prof. Thomson in Lecture in Diocesan College

"KINDS OF EVOLUTION"

Effect of Great Upheaval of Asia on Human Evolution

Approximately two million years ago, there was a great improvement in mammalian brain development, which was the culmination of a long drawn out struggle between brain and brawn, said Professor J. Arthur Thomson, about that time, geologists say, there was a mighty upheaval in Asia, resulting in the Himalayas, and in the levelling of great Asiatic forests. These parts had to make shift to live cause of this arboreal inhabitants of the earth.

That may, said the Professor, have been the beginning of the Evolution of Man.

This is the third of the series of lectures that Professor Thomson has been delivering. The fourth will be at five o'clock instead of at eight, the usual hour, in the Diocesan Hall.

The lecturer continued in the main as follows:

"Evolution is a badly over-worked word. It means of course a process of becoming, but it is applied to diverse orders of facts which have little in common, either as regards the material evolving or the way in which the evolution comes about.

"In the cosmic domain there has been and there still is a process of becoming from a nebulous mass to a system of worlds. Even here there seems to be a difference between the formation of a stellar system and the formation of a solar system with a sun and planets. But both are very different from, let us say, the evolution of Mammals. Thus in Cosmic Becoming there is nothing like a sequence of generations and nothing like sifting or selection as regards the main masses concerned. No doubt there has been some loss of energy-matter into space, but on the whole it is the same material that passes from diffuseness into differentiation. We (Continued on page two)

HISTORICAL CLUB TO PLAN PROGRAM

Papers Will be Divided into Three Classes

It was announced yesterday by the executive that the first meeting of the Historical Club will take place next Monday at 8 o'clock in the Arts Building, room number 10 to be announced later. The meeting will discuss the agenda and program for the current session.

In connection with papers the club will pursue the policy of dividing subjects into three classes: current historical events and movements; history covered in outline by courses in the Department of History; and subjects, such as ancient and Asiatic history, not so covered by lectures. Members are requested to bring to the meeting on Monday one (1) of a paper from each of these classes, from their suggestions the current program will be compiled.

INNOVATIONS IN UNION CAFETERIA

New Cash Register Price Checks Attracts Attention

As a result of suggestions and criticisms of the Union Cafeteria patrons, the management of the cafeteria has inaugurated some new methods.

In answer to the complaints that dining for the butter held up the line, as well as thoroughly buttered one's fingers, the butter is now served in dainty individual paper saucers. For those suspicious persons who distrust the cash register, the checks, registering the price of each meal item by item, are now given to each diner.

Party Tickets to Toronto

Those wishing to go to the game in Toronto on Saturday, should get in touch with the Office in the Union. Special rates can be obtained on a ten party ticket on trains leaving Friday night.

NEW GOVERNOR



J. W. McConnell of this city, who was elected yesterday to the Board of Governors of the University.

RHODES SCHOLARS TO BE CHOSE SOON

Scholarships are Tenable for Three Years

BRITISH SUBJECTS

Elections Must be Completed Before Twenty-fifth of November

Following the custom established in the past, there will be two Rhodes Scholarships awarded to students in the Province of Quebec this year according to the Memorandum concerning Rhodes Scholarships in Canada recently received by the University. These Scholarships are of the value of £400 a year, and are tenable for three years, subject to the continued approval of the College at Oxford of which the Scholar is a member.

Appointments will be made by a local Committee of Selection nominated by the Trustees. In making these appointments, Committees will have regard to the qualities mentioned by Mr. Rhodes in his Will. These are force of character, devotion to duty, courage, sympathy, capacity for leadership, ability scholastic attainments, and physical vigour, as shown by participation in games or in other ways.

Committees will summon to a personal interview such of the candidates as they choose. The following conditions under which candidates are eligible apply throughout Canada:—

1. Candidates must be British subjects, with at least five years' domicile in Canada, and unmarried. They must have passed their thirteenth, but not have passed their twenty-fifth birthday, on October 1st of the year for which they are elected.

2. Candidates must be at least in their Sophomore year at some recognized degree granting University or College of Canada, and (if elected) complete the work of that year before coming into residence at Oxford.

3. Candidates may compete either in the Province in which they have acquired any considerable part of their educational qualification, or in the Province in which they have their ordinary private domicile. Committees shall be responsible for deciding whether a candidate qualifies under the provisions of this clause.

The election must be completed in any year by November 25th. Candidates must send their applications, with all the required material, to the Secretary of the Selection Committee of area in which they are competing not later than November 16th. In Quebec those should be sent to G. S. Stairs, Esq., K.C., Royal Trust Chambers, Montreal. The material to be sent in and all other information concerning these Scholarships may be secured on application to the Registrar's Office of McGill University.

What's On

TODAY

1:00—Arts Freshmen meet.
4:30—Med. Rugby.

5:00—Dr. Barnes' Lecture, S.O.A. of R.V.C.

COMING

Oct. 7th—Physical Society.

Oct. 8th—Arts '28.

Oct. 11th—R.V.C. Undergraduate.

Oct. 12th—Annual Board.

Oct. 13th—Dr. Barnes' Lecture.

McCONNELL IS NEW GOVERNOR

Head of St. Lawrence Sugar Refineries

WELL KNOWN

Was Elected to Board of Governors at Yesterday's Session

John Wilson McConnell, President and Managing Director of the St. Lawrence Sugar Refineries, Ltd., was elected to the Board of Governors of McGill University, at a meeting of that body held yesterday morning prior to the ceremony of Convocation in Moyse Hall.

This honor has been tendered to Mr. McConnell as a fitting tribute to his sterling worth as an organizer of philanthropic campaigns. It will be remembered that it was Mr. McConnell who led the army of workers in the last drive in behalf of the Montreal Hospitals, when an enormous sum was realized. His unselfish and untiring work in that respect won him many admirers among the Montreal public. He is a man of charming character and personality and has contributed much towards the public and economic life not only of his own province but of the whole of Canada.

John Wilson McConnell was born in 1877 in Muskoka, Ontario, and entered commercial life in Toronto at an early age. He removed to Montreal in 1890 and entered the financial field in 1896. In 1914 he retired from his financial activities, and assumed the management of the St. Lawrence Sugar Refineries, of which he is now the President and Managing Director.

Besides his connection with the sugar industry, he is Governor of the Montreal General Hospital, the Western General Hospital, the Alexandra Hospital, the Wesleyan Theological College, affiliated with McGill University. He is a Director of the Y.M.C.A., member of the Board of Management (Continued on page four)

SCARLET KEY TO HAVE TEA DANCE

Society to Provide Head Ushers at the Stadium

At a meeting of the Scarlet Key Society held in the Union last night it was decided that a dance will be held after the Toronto Varsity game on October 6th in the Union. Plans were also got under way for the ushering at the Stadium which the society is undertaking this fall.

Arnold Smith was appointed chairman of the tea dance and Ben Smith will be in charge of the ushers. Fifteen head ushers are being provided by the Key who are to be assisted by sixty freshmen selected from the various faculties. The presidents of the freshmen years will be advised of this regulation and the fresh are expected to respond with as good grace as possible under the circumstances.

In order that final arrangements may be completed a lunch is being held in the grill room of the Union on the Monday Oct. 10th at 1:00 p.m. when the following members must be present: Blomer, LaTour, Brodie, McMaster, Doull, Neville, Steurwald, Montgomery, Buchanan, Davidson, Diplock, Walker, Smith, Peitch.

The head ushers will wear special red and white sweaters adorned with a red key the insignia of the society. In order that the society may receive due prominence, these sweaters will become the property of all men attending the five scheduled games. It is also expected that something will be done in the nature of a banquet to be tendered the freshmen provided their services prove satisfactory.

FOURTH YEAR SCIENCE ELECTION

F. R. Durley is Elected President for This Year

Fourth Year Science held its elections yesterday. The following are the officers:—

President J. R. Durley, Vice-President D. Boyd, Secretary E. P. Buchanan, Treasurer H. B. Godwin, Vice-treasurer A. W. Smith, Historian A. J. Groleau, Prophet H. B. McCarthy, Hockey Manager A. A. Pangman.

Presence of Distinguished Nicaraguan Student Might Raise Doubts of Treatment

McGill is becoming more and more cosmopolitan. From far and wide students flock to its portals. To start with, students came from the province of Quebec; soon students came from all over Canada; they came from England; they came from other European countries. Now we have Chinese students, Indian students. But an exhaustive and monumental research into the archives of the University has failed to disclose any previous case of a Nicaraguan student attending our Alma Mater. Yesterday there is one: the great republic of Nicaragua, where they have a revolution every two and a half months, has contributed one of its sons to the melting-pot of McGill.

Mystery surrounds the movements of our distinguished guest, but it is understood on good authority that he has registered in the Faculty of Law. But that's not the whole of it: he was assigned to above as "distinguished" and he must be, for we understand that he has the honour to fulfil the office of Consul of the Republic of Nicaragua in Montreal. This raises problems: Does he have precedence over the rest of his class? Should professors address him as "your excellency"? Could we believe he is allowed are entitled to marry people. This opens up vistas of thought. Then, will B.V. fly the Nicaraguan flag over the Arts Building when His Excellency is attending lectures?

Of one thing we may be sure: the great and growing friendship between our Dominion and the little state of Nicaragua will be extended by our having its diplomatic representative among us.

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MONTREAL, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6, 1927.

THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE STUDENT

THE principles of paternalism are by no means carried out at McGill University. Sir Arthur Currie in his convocation address delivered yesterday indicated that McGill had no intention of introducing it.

"The university is a place," he said, "not only of guidance but of opportunity." The large number of students in the university and pressing to get in, certainly constituted a problem, which is being solved by a number of improvements and enlargements to university buildings and additions to the teaching staff. The problem of individual instruction might prove troublesome, but as Sir Arthur pointed out, the university is splendidly equipped with every kind of aid to learning. And the instructors do not attempt to act "in loco parentis," but simply offer to guide those students who are willing to learn. For actual information the student has every part of college equipment at his disposal, but he is left to himself to take advantage of opportunities.

Sir Arthur clearly showed that the argument of disappointed parents that the university did not "boast" along those who become college failures, is foolish. The student is past the age when he can be disciplined into learning. If he fails to take an interest in his work he is simply dropped from the university.

The great resources of McGill University, therefore are "open to all who have the character and capacity to accept them and make use of them." But only to that sort. So much for the student.

The great work of the university, as Sir Arthur said, it was to make war on sectionalism and other forms of narrow-mindedness, and clear up misunderstandings that nearly always arise from ignorance. Sectionalism, consequent intolerance, and mere misunderstanding, are the chief causes of war.

The universities now have a chance given to no other institution except perhaps the church, of educating the world against war. The increasing demand for higher education will sooner or later bring representatives of almost every family in the land, to the doors of the university, to absorb its doctrines there. The immense influence of the university then will be incalculable.

Another point brought out by Sir Arthur was that the classic critics do not realize the difficulties that the increased demand for college education bring to the universities. We believe that in some of the extremely ambitious colleges of this continent, the critics by no means exaggerate the situation.

Some colleges fail to cope with increased enrollment, and content themselves simply by housing of their popularity, and advertising, through their rugby teams, for more students to come and have a good time and get pushed easily through a four-year course, and have a poor B.A. appended to their name.

The movie people, and a great many others, have turned a college into a circus in the eyes of thousands of "average" people who read those heart-rending "college" magazines and watch with breathless excitement the dash of the movie collegian through hordes of pug-nosed rugbyists to the goal-line for a touchdown in the last half-second of play—Also the final close-up of the quarterback and the pretty co-ed embracing.

But McGill can mind its own business. And, to get down to facts, McGill is a thoughtful college, each individual seeker after knowledge has an individual chance to receive it, and all we can hope is that the present high intellectual standing of the staff, high intellectual zeal of the students, and hearty co-operation between principal, students, and staff, will continue for a very great number of years to come.

SOMEONE HAD BLUNDERED

WITH all the pomp and pageantry that has characterized the ceremony on Founders' Day, the fall convocation yesterday was of more than passing interest in view of those on whom was conferred the degree of Doctor of Laws, honoris causa. Both Sir Vincent Meredith and Sir Herbert Holt are illustrious Canadians, having played vital parts in the development of the Dominion as it stands today. But it is not particularly this special part of the proceedings that we wish to comment upon here; it is that item of the morning's programme that followed directly the conferring of the honorary degrees.

There are occasions in the university session when some things can be decidedly out of order and even in very bad taste. Because something belongs to McGill does not necessarily mean that that something can be presented or used in any and every university function. We refer to what we consider a most inappropriate rendition, by none less than the Choral Society, of that popular "vocal" ballad: "Put on Your Red and White Sweater." This, no doubt, is a stirring melody when heard vibrating from the throats of the thundering thousands in the stands of the stadium, or at class or faculty parties or banquets. But somehow or other, coming immediately after Sir Vincent Meredith had stated the register subsequent to receiving the LL.D., sounded a very jarring note in what before had been a dignified and solemn proceedings.

In some cases it might be all right to invite Sir Vincent or Sir Herbert to "open up another case of beer," but we contend, this was not one of the cases. In no way do we reflect upon the good taste of the Choral Society that so readily and successfully swayed the singing during the Convocation programme, indeed they sang this particular ditty quite well, but someone erred, and though we are not so curious as to know who nevertheless we are rather interested in knowing the why.

EDITORIAL CRACKERS

Usually we run a story about the miles of frankfurters eaten by students. But the new dietician doesn't like the hot how-works. We have however computed that if all the shepherd's pie the students have eaten during the last two weeks, was pressed down by a couple of Taylors to a half-inch thickness, it would provide an admirable carpet for the floor of the Union Reading room.

It would be an admirable substitute for paydust we think. But paydust isn't needed on the reading room floor. Of course not. 340 fine.

Heading in American college daily:
SPECIMENS SAVED IN COLLIERIE FIRE. It is nice to know that no professors were lost.

NEWS FROM THE RUBETOWN LIVERY BARN. (By Exchange Service from the Rubetown Mercury.)—By a new system, horses are put in barns by owners who pay for their meals as follows: Oats, 10 cents, hay 20 cents. Rolls are free.
 (Ed. note.) We pay 2 cents for them.

5,001 FACTS ABOUT MCGILL

1.—In front of the Arts Building is situated the largest bowl on the North American continent. It will hold enough porridge to feed the water polo team two years.

2.—The Redpath museum has a notable collection of stuffed animals. They may be seen in the lecture room between 2 and 3 on the afternoons of Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

3.—McGill boasts of large specially-built open courts where love and service are being continually discussed. These courts belong to the tennis club.

PROGRAM C.O.T.C. TO BE DISCUSSED

Season's Prizes Will be Distributed at Smoker

The coming season's activities of the McGill contingent, Canadian Officers' Training Corps, will be outlined when the annual smoker of the unit takes place tonight in the Union at 8 o'clock. All students interested in military activities are asked to attend, as well as all former members of the contingent. The training program for the year will be outlined during the course of an address by the Officer-in-Command, Major J. W. Jenkins.

The prizes and trophies won in last year's competitions will be formally presented. The smoker will be concluded by a light buffet supper.

The annual smoker provides an excellent opportunity for officers and men to meet one another and for new men to meet veterans of the corps. The smoker held early in the season last year was very successful and this evening's entertainment is expected to be even more so.

The majority of last season's men have already re-enlisted and one can reasonably expect a highly-efficient corps to be trained during the coming winter. After the get-together this evening, cards will be available for those who wish to enlist.

This afternoon the senior cavalry cadets will probably visit the campus, in the course of their mounting route march. This troop has already completed a week of training on Mount Royal and is taking full advantage of the fine weather. It is ordered to report at the Riding School of Montreal, Cote des Neiges Road at two-thirty, so will probably pass along the campus about three-thirty.

L-E-T-T-E-R-S We Shouldn't Read

No. 1. From Horace, Med. I, to his brother

Alfie Kappa Kappa Fraternity October 6

Dear Percy:—Man's anatomy may have been made in Heaven, but the naming of the parts thereof were certainly made in—made somewhere else. Do you remember that book we used to read where the people were always sitting down on their "posteriors"? Quite vulgar we used to think it! I now find that half a man is posterior and half anterior. Posterior means that side of a person that faces you when the person departs from you. From what I have seen of the co-eds up here so far, they are mostly posterior. However from your last letter I gather that you are in the hands of the sophomores yourself at your knowledge factory in Toronto. I hope you get enough to stir you up a bit, but sophomores are running pretty dry of ideas now as a rule. Now in my day, when I entered Arts—however that's another story. In Medicine the sophs don't do the initiating. A man spends half his normal life in college getting into Medicine anyway, so they leave initiating in the hands of the Profs, who do it with what is called an anatomical laboratory. We call it other things. The first week was rather a tedious time and some of the fellows almost starved. It was rather surprising at first to see all the fellows going off alone to eat. I didn't understand it till I was out with Alfie Burleigh, and we had string beef served up and he made a remark which caused me to retire with a great lack of interest in the beef.

I have a good room up here with all the fixings though I have to make my own bed. I keep my collection of bones on a shelf and the landlady won't enter the room. She says it makes her think of her husband, poor dead soul. Must be a dusty soul. She is Scottish and I told her that story of the two Scotchmen who went together on their trip to the next world, and to their appointed place. One of them remarks "Well—I don't think that is as much better than Dundee!"

"Whistle, man!" says the other "This is no Heaven!"

She just said that she was from Glasgow herself and didn't know Dundee, so I asked her if she had ever heard how the Scotch had got hold of the bag-pipes. She said no, so I told her that the Irish had given it to them for a joke and they didn't see it yet. She evidently didn't see it either so I gave it up.

Medicine at McGill is a pretty tidy faculty. We begin a week earlier than the other faculties, probably to allow us time to get over our "initiation!" When you get into the medical building you can find nothing but marble halls at first. If you do find a door and go through and ain't prepared you usually find something you don't care to meet familiarly. And if you do enter the room you usually find it has halitosis. Let me know how you get along.

Yours,
 HORACE.

CURRENT EVENTS

Warden (to convict in electric chair): Have you many questions to ask before we turn on the current?
 Convict: Yeah, what does the paper say about tomorrow's weather?

SOLAR SYSTEM INVOLVES

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must not say dogmatically that the cosmic genesis shows no advance, or that it is wholly haphazard; yet it is very different from organic evolution. It might be called Genesis—of stellar systems or solar systems, of the earth, of the continents and oceans. An alternative would be to use an adjective and speak of cosmic or of physical evolution.

"Suggestive analogies to variation among organisms may be found in the changes exhibited by radio-active substances. Thus uranium may give rise to lead, which may give rise to radium, which may give rise to lead. These transmutations depend on changes in the numbers and dispositions of the electrons and protons of which all the different kinds of matter consist. Like many of the changes in Organic Evolution the changes of radio-active elements occur in definite directions. Like organisms these elements give rise to others different from themselves. Moreover one species of living organisms probably differs from another in the chemical composition of its proteins. Yet it cannot be pretended that the "pedigrees" disclosed by the radio-active changes are like those studied by biologists. Perhaps the old term transmutation might be utilized here.

"Another process of chemical change that is of great interest to evolutionists is the chemist's synthesis of carbonyl compounds, including sugar, alcohol, indigo, salicylic acid, adrenalin and thyroxin. Here we have the origin of the distinctively new and the novelties are often good illustrations of "emergence". For as in the familiar synthesis of water from hydrogen and oxygen, new properties emerge, unexpected if not unpredictable. This kind of novelty-making does not often occur among organic things on the earth, except in the chemical laboratory, but it may occur to a slight extent in the atmosphere under electrical influence, and it may be occurring in the colossal crucibles of the stars. The usual term chemical synthesis seems appropriate, with the adjectives natural and artificial prefixed if need be. It seems fair to say that the possibility of the natural chemical synthesis of protoplasm seems less remote than it did.

"It is confusing confusion to mix up the biological term "development" with the biological term "organic evolution", and yet this misuse is common. Development is individual becoming, ontogeny, the expression of the inheritance in appropriate nurture. Evolution is racial becoming, phylogeny, and involves a sequence of generations. No doubt ontogeny and phylogeny are mutually correlated, but they are quite different. A tadpole develops into a frog; amphibians evolved from an ancestral fish stock. We study the development of a foal, the evolution of the Equidae.

"It is becoming more and more difficult to isolate the study of body from the study of mind, and conversely; yet it is an interesting question whether the becoming of the individual mind should be called by the same name as the becoming of the individual body. In many respects they seem to develop differently. In any case, there is no doubt as to the convenience and legitimacy—indeed necessity—of the distinction between individual development (Ontogeny) and Racial Evolution (Phylogeny).

"Organic Evolution may be defined as a natural process of continuous racial change in some observable direction. In the course of which distinctively new individualities emerge and are established, alongside of or in place of the originative stock. Our knowledge of the operative factors is still very incomplete, but there can be no doubt that organic evolution has been a process of varying and entailing, sifting and singling. In other words we recognize an facta—Variation and Heredity, Selection and Isolation. New departures emerge; the conditions of heredity decide their entailedness for existence, they may be segregated by various modes of isolation. There is no warrant for thinking of evolving organisms as passive pawns; they play the game, thus personally sharing in their own evolution. Another of the differentiating features between Organic Evolution and Cosmic Genesis is the elimination that goes on—an elimination not of individual variants only, but of species, types and classes. Many that share in the struggle are not represented at all in the subsequent outcome.

"When mankind definitely emerged and Homo, as distinguished from tentative Hominoids, began to come to his own, the aspect of evolution was in certain ways changed. For man with

languages and reason and the habit of controlling his conduct in reference to ideals, was able to direct his own evolution in ways that are only hinted at among the animals. Moreover, the growth of a social heritage of permanent products, registered traditions, literature, art, and institutions gradually altered the whole aspect of the becoming. It seems justifiable to recognize human evolution as unique.

"No one doubts that biological ideas are relevant in the study of human society, since that is composed of organisms with health and disease, urges and appetencies, fertility and mortality, work and rest, and so on. There is a legitimate bio-sociology, just as there is a legitimate bio-chemistry and bio-physics. The outward and fallacious analogy between the animal body and the "social organism" is, or should be, dead, yet there is a sound comparative study of animal societies, and human societies, which has hardly more than begun. Moreover it is a profoundly important commonplace that the three sides of the "biological prism"—Organisms, Functioning, and Environment—correspond precisely to those of the "sociological prism": Folk, Work and Place—or as Leplay put it, Famille Travail, Lieu.

"But allowing all this, and more besides, we would maintain that special evolution in mankind is another kind of evolution. In the first place the social integrate becomes the unit, transcending the individual, and changes the whole problem. Thus a society extends a shield over variations that could not survive in the individual struggle for existence. In the second place it is a "biologism" in sociology, corresponding to a "materialism" in biology, to see in a city no more than a transcendent beaver-village or ant-hill. Man is an organism or rational discourse, more or less aware of his past, more or less imaginative of a future, "making history" deliberately, controlling social evolution in the light of ideals. No doubt there is often a minus instead of a plus, but each species must be judged by its best. Our point is that human society is unique.

"It is a confusion of thought to suppose that social variations, social heredity, social selection, social isolation and so on, are the same as their biological analogues. It is a different kind of evolution for social variations are often bound up with great men and big ideas; the social heritage is in institutions, laws, literature, art, religion, customs, traditions, buildings, cities, and often leads to results comparable to those that would be seen if acquired characters were transmitted; social selection often operates through public opinion and is often dysgenic; the struggle is often between society and individuals. Social evolution is quite different from biological evolution.

"Because biologisms are common, let us emphasize the common-place that human society is unique because its members are unique. Man, who sees the invisible and measures the universe, who annihilates distance and makes the Forces of Nature serve his purposes, who controls his life and conquers the ill, his flesh is his heir, who makes music and paints pictures, who shows the world to be intelligible and translucent, who philosophizes, prophesies, and prays, demands for his social evolution a place by itself, by whatever name it may be called. There is much to be said for emphasizing the familiar term human history, if that will suggest not the narrative, but the process itself.

"Searching after different labels for the diverse processes of becoming may seem a somewhat verbalist inquiry, but it is of great practical importance. We must rescue ourselves from the snares of words, which are, as Hobbes said, wise men's counters, but the money of fools. Resolute thinking is necessary to discriminate the different kinds of 'evolution' merging and muddling them means intellectual

slackness—sometimes ethical inhibition.

"A survey such as we have attempted shows how far from homogeneous the long process of becoming has been. We have to do with a succession of syntheses or emergences, each with laws of its own. And this 'evolution' is still going on.

"Another suggestion that rises from our survey is that every chapter in the becoming should be looked at from both sides. What light is thrown on it by its antecedents, and what light does it throw on its antecedents? Thus as to man, the minister and interpreter of Nature, we must see him of course, in the light of antecedent evolution, as the long result of time, the crown of creation. But we must also envisage evolution in the light of man. Resplendence. An evolution is to be understood philosophically in the light of its outcome and its promise!"



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SIXTY-FOUR ENTRIES

Jack Wright Will be Out in
Defense of his
Title

Play for the Dr. Martin Cup, emblematic of the men's tennis championship of McGill University, will commence on the university courts at 10. Sixty-four entries have been received for the event, and it is hoped to complete the entire first round today, weather permitting.

Jack Wright, defending champion, is seeded at the top of the draw. Wright will not be seen in action today, but he will play his first round match against H. M. Butt tomorrow. Wright, who is Canadian and intercollegiate champion, and who is generally recognized as Canada's outstanding exponent of the game, will lead the McGill team in the intercollegiate matches on the Outremont courts in two weeks time.

Seeded at the bottom of the draw is J. P. McInerney, of last year's squad. McInerney plays B. V. Alpert in the first round today. F. C. Holt, of last season's team, and C. H. Peters, semi-finalist in the 1926 tourney, are the other two men who were placed in the draw. Holt is in the top half with Jack Wright, while Peters is at the top of the lower half.

All matches in the early rounds will be two out of three sets. Competitors will be defaulted if they are not on hand within fifteen minutes of the time published. All competitors must report to the tournament manager immediately upon their arrival at the courts.

The draw for today is as follows:—

- 1000
A. E. Lavery vs. R. M. DuBoise.
C. W. Borcht vs. D. P. Smith.
A. W. Hutchison vs. J. Nicholls.
J. M. Honeyman vs. F. W. Poland.
M. G. Gassco vs. C. Nicholls.
G. A. Sutton vs. D. C. Johnston.
1100
L. L. Rubin vs. W. F. McMartin.
C. E. Pacaud vs. J. B. Johnson.
W. H. Budden vs. R. K. Martin.
F. H. Wilson vs. H. I. Ross.
G. H. Poland vs. H. E. Palmer.
J. Arnold vs. L. S. Webster.
1200
E. H. Elbert vs. F. W. Angus.
G. Drummond vs. J. D. McLeod.
R. N. LeBaron vs. F. C. Holt.
D. Tutill vs. C. H. Peters.
J. L. Malkin vs. G. A. Kyle.
R. H. Webster vs. D. H. Poddicombe.
1300
S. Belhuet vs. W. M. Fitzhugh.
A. V. Wade vs. C. Craig.
K. S. Pictet vs. I. Balander.
P. deW. Mackay vs. C. M. Gardner.
P. T. McNamee vs. L. C. Young.
G. P. Baker vs. R. Caron.
2000
W. W. Chipman vs. R. A. Grain.
B. V. Alpert vs. J. P. McInerney.
J. H. Guthrie vs. R. Sabourin.
E. S. Hanny vs. L. O. Cooper.
A. W. Shute vs. C. M. Butlin.
C. Key vs. M. D. McLeod.
3000
G. E. How vs. D. L. Luther.

McGILL PLAYS CAPE TOWN HERE

Soccer on Lower Campus this
Afternoon

What promises to be one of the best soccer games ever to be played at McGill takes place this afternoon on the lower campus when the Red eleven meets a team from the H. M. S. Capetown.

During their stay in port, the Capetown have defeated seven of the strongest teams and demonstrated that they are an exceptionally strong team. McGill is at practically full strength and entertain high hopes of putting an end to the sailors' string of victories. The two games already played by the McGill team have enabled Coach Finlay to discover the ability of the men who have turned out. However, the final choice of the intercollegiate team has not yet been completed and today's game is also important as it will be the first occasion on which a McGill team has met one from His Majesty's Navy. A large attendance of undergraduates would not only be encouraging to the Red and White, but provide a fitting reception to the sailors. Kick-off at four o'clock.

Line-up:—
Goal, Davidson; Backs, Glendon; McLeod; Halfbacks, Estall, Kelwig, Violette; Forwards, McKinnon, Watt, Maule, Molloy, Gavin.

ENGLISH RUGBY PRACTICE HELD

Preparations Made for Vickers
Game on Saturday

Final dates for the McGill tourney have been set. The first real work-out yesterday afternoon when a pick-up match was played with a number of players from the Sun Life Club. No actual game was played, but the players

SCANNING THE SPORTS SPHERE

Those few who have been privileged to watch the work-outs of the senior rugby team during this week have been impressed with the splendid spirit which prevails within the environs of the Molson Stadium. After a gruelling game on Saturday it might be expected that there would be some let-up in practices for a day or so, but no such thing happened.

Driving practices were the order of the day on Monday and there has been no change since. Time after time, day after day, an enthusiastic red team has practised the same plays and gone through the same manoeuvres without complaint—cheerfully in fact—with but one idea in mind, to beat Varsity on Saturday.

McGill is represented this year by a rugby team that is believed to be the finest in years. The material is there. The players are giving their all. It is a fighting team, one which, win or lose, at Toronto day after tomorrow will have the support of the entire college.

The game at Toronto will be no easy one. Varsity will be playing before thousands of their graduates and undergraduates and will be fighting for a victory so that the Centennial may be adjudged a success in every way. But if hard work and dogged determination means anything, if loyalty and self-sacrifice can win a rugby game McGill will win on Saturday. And if the red and white lose it will not be for lack of training or practice or of the never-say-die spirit.

Coach Frank Shaughnessy can rest assured that he and his team have the support of every student at this University. Those who find it impossible to journey to the Queen City will be eagerly awaiting the news of the game—waiting to celebrate a victory.

But win or lose, red team, we are behind you to a man.

SOCCER TEAM PLAYS H. M. S. CAPE TOWN

McGill at Full Strength for
Game at 4 p.m.

What promises to be one of the most attractive soccer games ever played at McGill takes place this afternoon on the lower campus when the Red Eleven meet a team from the H. M. S. Capetown. During their short stay in town the Capetown have defeated several of the strong city teams and demonstrated that they are an exceptionally strong and clever side.

McGill will be at practically full strength, and entertain high hopes of putting an end to the sailors' string of victories. The two games already played by the McGill team have enabled Coach Finlay to discover the ability of the men who have turned out. However, the final choice of the intercollegiate team has not yet been made and today's game will be in the nature of a further test of the McGill squad's strength. Today's game is also important as it will be the first occasion on which a McGill team has met one from His Majesty's Navy.

A large attendance of undergraduates would not only be encouraging to the Red Team but provide a fitting reception to the sailors. The kick-off is at 4 p.m.

McGill line-up: Davidson, Glendon, McLeod, Estall, Kelwig, Violette, McKinnon, Watt, Maule, Molloy, Gavin.

HARRIERS STAGE FIRST PRACTICE

Extensive Program Planned
for Coming Season

Several new faces were seen at the Harrier practice yesterday, but there is still room for plenty of aspirants. The news that the Captain, Malcolm McNaughton, would be unable to run this season, was received with regret by the executive; this, however, is all the more reason why runners, who are at present not working out with the Club should assist in filling the gaps left by graduation and withdrawal.

Next week it is possible that two runs a day will be organized, one for men who can get out as early as four o'clock, and the second for those practicing at five. This will enable more men to get the benefits resulting from competition and will stimulate interest. During the week a general run over the "long course" will also be attempted, so that the runners may accustom themselves to the full distance.

A rather more complete description of the route taken by Harriers may be obtained by new men; starting from the Stadium, the course lies west on Pine Avenue to the mountain serpentine, then up around the windings of this road and west again to the Park Side. At the slide, the runners take the riding track and make the circle of it then proceed east down the main road past the reservoir, and thence to Park Avenue. The last lap is down Park and west on Pine to the Stadium where one lap on the track is required to complete the distance of 5 1/2 miles. Until the first of next week, regular runs will be at five only, but men may always run at other times.

Men wearing the Sun Life uniforms had slightly the better of the play. Captain Grimes-Gracie, of McGill, and several other of the star players from the same team, were unable to get into the play, and as far as McGill was concerned, the match was used to try out new material in preparation for the league match against Vickers on Saturday. The team for this match has not yet been definitely selected, but an announcement of the line-up will be forthcoming shortly.

GOOD CHANCES AT ASSAULT-AT-ARMS

Freshmen are Urged to Turn
Out at Practices

MORE MEN WANTED

Coach Light has Several
Vacancies to be Filled on
B.W. & F. Team

An opportunity for freshmen and novices in the art of boxing to show their wares will be given on Tuesday, October 18th, when the first boxing practice of the year will be held in the Montreal High School gym. It is important that all those unused to the manly art of self-defence be present as Coach Bert Light will inform the men about his plans for this season.

Each year there are new men who would like to turn out for boxing practice, but are afraid that they will not be given an opportunity or that they are not sufficiently versed in boxing to stand up against the other men present. These fears are unfounded as special instruction in boxing calisthenics will be given to these men. "It is usually from novices that champions are made" said the coach. "They start from the beginning, now to the game and very eager to succeed. Given the right opportunities they usually succeed."

This year a new system will be used which will make it easier for the coach to handle a large number of men at the same time. This system known as the Jimmy De Forest System is one in which all the blows are numbered. Billy Armstrong who once coached Bert Light was himself a pupil of the famous De Forest.

McGill's chances to capture the championship of the Intercollegiate Assault at Arms seem much brighter this year. Many of last year's veterans are back and will turn out in a short time. Don Keller, former 175 lb. titleholder has already turned out, working under the personal supervision of the coach, and will probably represent McGill in the 175 lb. division. Keller will meet A. Methot, Montreal Police champ in this division on or about the 14th of October.

Although there is a vacancy in the 135 lb. class due to the departure of Baldwin, last year's representative in this division, this will probably be filled by Barney Musselman, 126 lb. Intercollegiate Champion.

Musselman, it will be remembered, put up one of the best fights last year, when he captured the Intercollegiate title.

It is doubtful whether Bert Taylor will turn out this year in the 147 lb. class. Solly Schleiffer, whose defeat was a surprise to many last year is back again and is expected to turn out shortly in the 112 lb. class. Big things are expected in the heavyweight class. The 160 lb. class is vacant as Gordie Hughes and Noy Gordon have graduated.

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REGULAR TRAINING HELPS TRACK MEN

Coach Van Wagner Addressed
Enthusiasts Last Night

"Don't get discouraged if you can't make the team the first year," was Coach Van Wagner's advice to freshmen at an informal gathering of track enthusiasts held last evening. "Regular practice at the stadium, a sufficient amount of sleep and a moderate diet, are essential, to carry out training properly." The coach stressed the importance of medical examination before entering any track meet.

The trouble, he said, with the average freshman was that he gave up after the first year if he did not do well. Such a man should hammer away at it until he was finally successful. With regular training, he would gradually improve, until he was a first-class track man.

To the men on last year's track team he suggested that they keep up their training practicing regularly. He announced that the training table would be posted on Monday. "When a man takes part in any intercollegiate event, we expect him to put all he has into it, for when he is in condition, this should not be any strain on him."

The Coach followed up his remarks by showing several reels of film, which illustrated the proper style essential to good sprinting, hurdling, pole-vaulting, passing the baton in a relay race, javelin throwing and the high jump. He then threw on the screen some clippings from films, which gave a still better idea, with more opportunity to study them, of correct style in low and high hurdles, the high jump, pole vaulting, shot put, discus throwing, and running broad jump.

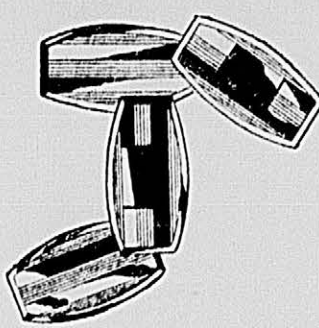
Coach Van Wagner is optimistic about this year's track prospects, and believes that McGill has a good chance of regaining the Intercollegiate Championship this fall.

ated, both of whom were much in the foreground last year. Practices are held regularly in this class at 5 P.M. on Tuesday and Thursday. Tournaments will be held for the novices later in the season in order to give the novices a chance to show their wares.

Don Keller, former 175 lb. champion, was replaced last year by Noy Gordon since Don had broken his hand in a practice.

Coach Light intends not only to

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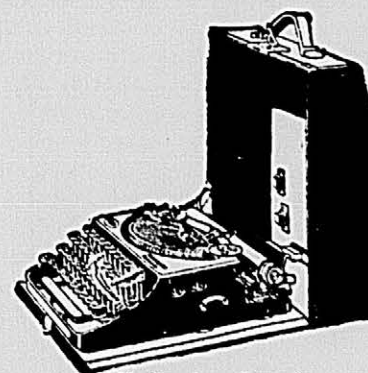
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